



DAVID O. COOKE

***DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE***

DIRECTOR, WASHINGTON HEADQUARTERS SERVICES

Mr. Cooke has been involved in Defense management since 1958 when he was a member of Secretary of Defense McElroy's task force on DoD reorganization.

He was a member and then Director of the Office of Organizational and Management Planning which spearheaded the sweeping changes in Defense organization during the McNamara years and he has continued to handle major Defense management issues for every subsequent Secretary of Defense.

Mr. Cooke frequently appears as the DoD witness before Congress and often represents DoD on major interdepartmental groups.

Mr. Cooke has been long active in executive development both in public institutions like the National Defense University and universities like Harvard's John F. Kennedy School. He frequently appears as a speaker at the Federal Executive Institute and served as a member of the Institute's Curriculum Advisory Committee.

Mr. Cooke has been awarded the DoD Medal for Distinguished Civilian Service--the highest department career award--seven times. He also received the DoD Medal for Outstanding Public Service and the DoD Medal for Distinguished Public Service--two times--awards rarely conferred on a career official and was the recipient of the NAACP 1994 Benjamin L. Hooks Distinguished Service Award; 1995 Government Executive Leadership Award; 1995 Presidential Distinguished Rank Award; 1997 National Public Service Award; 1998 the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service; and 2000 John O. Marsh Public Service Award.

Mr. Cooke is a graduate of New York State University College at Buffalo, New York, with a master's degree from New York State University at Albany, New York, and a law degree from the George Washington University Law School where he was a member of the Law Review.

He is a member of the American Bar Association, the U.S. Maritime Law Association, the Federal Bar Association, the American Society for Public Administration, and the National Academy of Public Administration.

Because of his responsibilities for the security, maintenance and operation of Defense buildings in the Washington area, he has earned the nickname "the Mayor of the Pentagon."